

	ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE		April				
			MONTH				
	Accomplishment Report		2025				
			YEAR				
PROGRAM/PROJECT/ACTIVITY				PROJECT DESCRIPTION		STATUS/REMARKS/ ACCOMPLISHMENT	
I. FOREST MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION DIVISION							
A. Forest Resources Development Activities:							
1. Nursery Operations & Maintenance Works							
a. Production/Propagation and Disposition of seedlings				Production, propagation and procurement of seedlings stock and disposition of seedlings		<p><b>Beginning balance:</b> 29,386 seedlings to include Agoho, Anchoan Dilaw, African Tulip, Balitbitan, Chest Nut, Golden Shower, Ipil, Kamagong, Mahogany, Narra, Rubber Tree, Talisay, Tindalo, Tuai, Atis, Antipolo, Bignai, Cacao, Calamansi, Citrus/Mandarin, Duhat, Guyatis, Langka, Lansones, American Lemon, Lemon, Mangga, Mangosteen, Passion Fruit, Pomelo, Rambutan, Tamarind, Santol, Satsuma, Verba, Bamboo, Beetle Nut, Anonas, and Tokyang Palm;</p> <p><b>Seedling Production:</b> A total of 502 forest tree seedlings were produced.</p> <p><b>Seedling Distribution:</b> A total of 180 assorted seedlings were distributed to various requesting constituents.</p> <p><b>Mortality Rate:</b> A 0.82% mortality rate was recorded, equivalent to 248 seedlings.</p> <p>A total of eight seedling requests were received this month. Of these, seven were promptly released to various public and private entities, while the remaining request is prepared and awaiting pickup.</p> <p><b>Stock balance:</b> 29,460 seedlings as of April 30, 2025.</p>	
b. Maintenance works				Maintenance of Provincial Nursery; Operation of Clonal Nursery; Brushing, ring weeding and greening of two nurseries; arrangement and sorting of seedlings for hardening; seeds and wildlings collection and propagation; and other activities that may be assigned to be accomplished during the period		<p>Six workers were hired through a Job Order Contract and were supervised and guided by ENRO technical personnel.</p> <p>Regular maintenance activities at the nursery includes enhancing seedling beds, potting soil for seeds, collecting seeds and wildlings, transplanting, sorting seedlings, and watering plants.</p>	

<p>2. Climate Change Mitigation/ Adaptation and DRRM Initiatives</p>	<p>Implementation of forest rehabilitation and other greening efforts such as but not limited to watershed rehabilitation, agro-forestry/urban greening, riparian rehabilitation &amp; development, mangrove &amp; beach forests rehabilitation with the aim to reduce the causes of global warming and its effect to biodiversity; and protect communities from risks of hazards caused by natural calamities.</p>	<p><b>Coordination Efforts:</b> ENRO personnel coordinated with local stakeholders for the implementation of Climate Change Mitigation/Adaptation and DRRM initiatives in the municipalities of Benito Soliven, San Mariano, Cordon, Naguilian, and Burgos, Isabela.</p> <p><b>Implementation of Urban Greening/Carbon Sink Project:</b> San Pablo, Isabela: On April 2 to 4, 2025, this Office, through its personnel, together with ISEP-TF operatives and Job Order service providers, conducted site preparation and tree planting activities in Ballacayu, San Pablo, Isabela. The preparatory works included site brushing, staking, and hole digging. Planting operations followed, involving the application of organic fertilizer, mulching, and watering to enhance seedling survival and growth. A total of 145 forest tree seedlings were planted over the three-day activity.</p> <p>Subsequently, from April 22 to 25, 2025, the same team resumed similar efforts, undertaking the same preparatory activities in preparation for planting additional forest tree seedlings. In support of sustained growth and increased survival rates of the planted seedlings, continuous watering and routine site maintenance are highly recommended.</p> <p><b>Monitoring of Agroforestry Project:</b> Delfin Albano, Isabela: On April 24, 2025, ENRO personnel, in coordination with DSWD Field Office II and the MSWDO, conducted an inspection of the ongoing Project LAWA at BINHI under the Risk Resilience Program - Cash for Work initiative in Brgy. Villa Pereda, Delfin Albano, Isabela. The project involves 400 beneficiaries from three barangays within the municipality.</p> <p>The site visit marked the fourth day of the 15-day project duration. The constructed LAWA conformed to DSWD’s standard size and dimensions and was nearing completion, with final clearing recommended. Additionally, beneficiaries had begun gathering bamboo poles for the planned mini nursery beside the LAWA site.</p> <p>In the following days, project activities were set to include the construction of the mini nursery, land cultivation for communal gardening, and preparation of the site for planting fruit-bearing trees adjacent to the LAWA area.</p>
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B. Forest Protection and Law Enforcement Activities:		
1. Manning of Checkpoints		
a. Foot/mobile Patrolling and Surveillance	Foot/mobile patrolling and surveillance of illegal cutting and transporting of forest products.	<p>ENRO and ISEP-TF personnel conducted surveillance and mobile patrolling in the following areas:</p> <p>-Alinguigan 3rd, Alinguigan 2nd, Malalam, Fuyo, San Ignacio, San Juan, Capellan, Batong Labang, San Lorenzo, Bintacan, Cabisera 8, Cabisera 14-15, Cabisera 22, Sitio Lagis, Sindon Bayabo, and other forest barangays of City of Ilagan, Isabela;</p> <p>-San Vicente/Tupa, San Pablo, Isabela;</p> <p>-Magassi, Masipi East, and Masipi West, Cabagan, Isabela;</p> <p>-Antagan, Cumabao, Dy-Abra, Tumauni, Isabela;</p> <p>-Benito Soliven and San Mariano areas;</p> <p>-Ilagan-Divilacan Road Rehabilitation Project (IDRRIP)</p>
b. Apprehension/Confiscation	Apprehension/confiscation of illegally cut and transported forest products	<p>For this month, the following were the apprehended/confiscated forest products during the conduct of forest protection activities, to wit:</p> <p><b>April 17, 2025:</b> 11 pieces (359.33 bd. ft.) of Guisat and 18 pieces (506.33) of White Lauan at Abuan River, City of Ilagan, Isabela.</p> <p><b>April 21, 2025:</b> 53 pieces (431 bd. ft.) of Mayapis and Red Lauan at IDR Km. 19, City of Ilagan, Isabela</p>
2. Donation/Utilization of Forest Products	Granting of request for wood materials	No donation/utilization of forest products was recorded for this month.
C. Activities Undertaken in Support of IDRRIP	Patrol works and monitoring activities and maintenance of reforestation areas	ISEP-TF and ENRO personnel consistently carried out monitoring and maintenance activities in the IDRRIP reforestation areas.
C. Wildlife Conservation Initiatives		
a. 'Wildlife Enforcement Activities		<p>The deputized Wildlife Enforcement Officers (WEOs) conducted regular surveillance and foot patrols across the Northern Sierra Madre Natural Park (NSMNP), including wildlife biodiversity monitoring along a 1-km stretch of the Ilagan-Divilacan Road Rehabilitation Project (IDRRIP) in Sitio Trailer, Km. 21, and Brgy. Villa Imelda, City of Ilagan.</p> <p>During the monitoring, various traps targeting wild pigs and birds were discovered approximately 1 km from Brgy. Villa Imelda. These were immediately dismantled by the team to prevent harm to wildlife and to support ongoing efforts to protect biodiversity and curb illegal activities such as hunting, poaching, trading, and wildlife extraction.</p>

D. Other Related Activities		
1. PRDP related activities	As part of TWG, the ENR Office is in-charge in the Social and Environmental Safeguards (SES) concerns of various PRDP sub-projects	<p>On April 30, 2025, personnel from this Office conducted a follow-up on the Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) application for the proposed Union-Barcolan Farm-to-Market Road sub-project under the DA-PRDP at the DENR-EMB Regional Office in Tuguegarao City, Cagayan.</p> <p>The required documents for the ECC application were already submitted to the Office in March 2025 and are currently awaiting approval. During a dialogue with the Chief of the Licensing and Permitting Division of DENR-EMB Region 2, it was assured that the ECC will be approved and issued at the soonest possible time.</p>
2. Maintenance Activities of Isabela Provincial Eco-Park	Maintenance of 3.3 hectares Isabela Provincial Eco-Park (IPEP) to include the Permaculture Building	The Job Order service providers consistently and routinely perform housekeeping, landscaping, beautification, tree park maintenance, and pathway upkeep activities at the Isabela Provincial Eco-Park.
3. Isabela Rattan Processing Shared Service Facility Activities	Maintenance of Isabela Rattan Processing Shared Service Facility	The Job Order service providers at IRPSSF carried out various maintenance activities. They ensured the cleanliness and orderliness of the facility, removed undesirable weed species and conducted grass cutting within the vicinity of the Rattan facility. An inventory of tools and equipment was also conducted to ensure proper monitoring and accountability.
4. Earth Day Celebration		<p>In observance of Earth Day, the Provincial Government of Isabela, through the Environment and Natural Resources Office (ENRO), in partnership with the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist (OPA) and the Isabela Tourism Office (ITO), conducted a Clean-Up Drive on April 22, 2025, from 7:30 AM to 10:30 AM at the Isabela Provincial Eco-Park.</p> <p>The activity aimed to raise environmental awareness and encourage collective action in protecting and preserving natural spaces, particularly the Isabela Provincial Eco-Park. Additionally, it contributed to public health efforts by reducing potential mosquito breeding areas, thereby supporting ongoing dengue prevention campaigns.</p> <p>A total of 251 representatives from various departments within the Capitol actively took part in the initiative. Activities carried out included the removal of water hyacinths, tree trimming and pruning, grass cutting, solid waste collection, and other related tasks.</p> <p>This initiative was in line with the global Earth Day theme, “Our Power, Our Planet,” and echoed through the local theme, “United for a Clean and Healthy Eco-Park,” highlighting the importance of unity and shared responsibility in caring for the environment.</p>

II. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT DIVISION

A. Vermicomposting Facility	Production of Organic Fertilizer thru Vermicomposting	<p>This month, <b>3,000 kgs.</b> were produced, with a remaining stock balance of <b>22,464 kgs.</b> as of April 30, 2025.</p> <p>As per records, a total of 1,550 kgs. of soil enhancer was disposed to two (2) private individuals requested for the improvement of soil fertility of their backyard garden and Benguet Pine plantation.</p> <p>Also, substrates for the production of organic fertilizer, such as compostable waste from heaps, dried grasses, banana stalks, animal manure, and assorted market wastes, were collected.</p>
B. Collection and Segregation of Waste at the Materials Recovery Facility	Refers to Executive Order No. 28, series of 2024, directing all offices and hospitals under the Provincial Government of Isabela to implement ecological solid waste management and waste segregation within their respective areas, and in line with Memorandum No. 13, series of 2024, mandating compliance with the Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000 (RA 9003) for the proper segregation of garbage, trash, and waste materials.	<p><b>Summary of Waste Disposal within Capitol Compound:</b></p> <p><b>1.Biodegradable Waste</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Total Collected: 3,250.11 kilograms</li><li>•Disposed to: ENRO Compost Heap and Vermi composting.</li></ul> <p><b>2.Recyclable Waste</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Total Collected: 294.09 kilograms</li><li>•Disposed to: ENRO Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).</li></ul> <p><b>3.Residual Waste</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Total Collected: 2,671.18 kilograms</li><li>•Disposed to: City of Ilagan Sanitary Landfill Facility (SLF</li></ul> <p><b>4.Hazardous</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Total Collected: 69.72 kilograms</li><li>•Disposed to: ENRO Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).</li></ul> <p><b>TOTAL: 6,285.09 kilograms</b></p> <p><b>Summary of Waste Disposal to Provincially-Operated Hospital:</b></p> <p><b>1.Biodegradable Waste</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Total Collected: 3,192.57 kilograms</li><li>•Disposed to: Compost Heap/Managed by the LGU.</li></ul> <p><b>2.Recyclable Waste</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Total Collected: 2,692.18 kilograms</li><li>•Disposed to: Materials Recovery Facility (MRF).</li></ul> <p><b>3.Residual Waste</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Total Collected: 3,554.30kilograms</li><li>•Disposed to: Sanitary Landfill Facility (SLF).</li></ul> <p><b>4.Hazardous/Infectious Waste</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>•Total Collected: 3,239.36 kilograms</li></ul> <p><b>TOTAL: 12,678.41 kilograms</b></p> <p><b>GRAND TOTAL: 18,974.51 kilograms</b></p>

C.Monitoring of Disposal Facilities	<p>Pursuant to the provisions of the Local Government Code (RA No. 7160) and Ecological Solid Waste Management (ESWM) Act of 2000 (RA 9003), LGUs are mandated as the primary responsible bodies for the implementation and enforcement of ecological solid waste management system within their respective jurisdiction.</p>	<p><b>1. Tumauni, Isabela- April 04, 2025</b></p> <p><b>Waste collection and Diversion:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Segregation</b> - Municipal Ordinance No. 88-2017 (An Ordinance Requiring the segregation at source of all household, institutional, industrial, and commercial waste and/or garbage into wet for biodegradable and dry or non-biodegradable, pursuant to Republic Act No. 9003.</li><li>• <b>Collection System</b> - Catering 46 Barangays</li><li>• <b>Diversion Programs</b> - Brick making made-out of shredded plastics - Information, Education, and Communication Campaign in the Schools and Barangays - Barangay at Kalinisan Day (BARKADA)</li><li>• <b>Materials Recovery Facility</b> - 46 MRFs and 1 Municipal MRF</li><li>• <b>Monitoring and Evaluation</b> - Waste generation- 284,285 kgs/year - Waste diversion- No data/record</li></ul> <p><b>'a. Rural Health Unit</b></p> <p><b>Findings and Observations:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The RHU have entered a MOA with a private sector in hazardous waste.</li><li>• The Permit to Operate was expired.</li><li>• They sprayed and treated the hazardous waste room with Lysol and Zonrox Bleach to avoid spreading of malodorous smell and contamination.</li><li>• Septic vault was not properly maintained.</li></ul> <p><b>Recommendations:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Maintain the proper segregation of waste</li></ul> <p><b>b. Public Market</b></p> <p><b>Findings and Observations:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Daily collection of waste was done every morning at the back of market.</li><li>• Mixed waste was observed in the trash bins of every stalls</li></ul> <p><b>Recommendations:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inform the vendors about proper waste segregation and briefly discuss RA 9003 otherwise known as Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000.</li></ul> <p><b>'c. Tumauni National High School</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The MRF was made-out of wood and bamboo, which was under repair.</li><li>• Active composting beds for bio-wastes such as banana peels and other substrates material use in decomposing with African Night Crawler.</li></ul>
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<p><b>D. Healthcare Waste Management</b></p>	<p>Under the provision of Executive Order No. 28, series of 2024, issued by the governor, all offices and hospitals must adhere to proper management of ecological solid waste and segregation of wastes within their premises.</p> <p>The Provincial Government of Isabela, through this office, monitored Health Care Waste Management practices of Provincially-operated hospitals. Personnel from this office oversee the following hospitals to ensure compliance with solid waste management practices, including the proper handling and disposal of hazardous and infectious wastes.</p>	<p><b>1. San Mariano Community Hospital- April 08, 2025</b></p> <p><b>Implementation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Personnel and staff strictly complies with the proper solid waste management and practices within the hospital.</li><li>• Proper solid waste segregation was consistently observed.</li><li>• Strictly complies with the submission of the Solid Waste Management Report every Monday.</li></ul> <p><b>Challenge Identified:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Instilling discipline among patients regarding proper waste segregation remains a challenge.</li></ul> <p><b>Solutions Undertaken:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Conducts regular inspections every shift to monitor and ensure correct use of trash bins.</li><li>• Upgraded trash bin system from 3 bins to 4 to improve waste categorization and compliance.</li></ul> <p><b>Observations:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The discharge permit was currently on- process, pending submission of stacked-up requirements requested by DENR-EMB Region II during every appearance or visit.</li></ul>

E. Ambient Water Quality Monitoring	Ambient Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment of the Abuan River, an initiative under the Ambient Water Quality Monitoring and Management Unit (AWQMMU) of the Environment and Natural Resources Office which main objective of safeguarding water resources within the province’s jurisdiction.	<p>Conducted Ambient Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment of the Abuan River on April 23-25, 2025.</p> <p>On the first day, physical measurements of the surrounding environment were conducted at each sampling station. For the general site conditions, including weather patterns, vegetation presence, and any potential sources of pollution. Gathering of physical key parameters such as air velocity, relative humidity, and water current were also measured and recorded. These data will serve as baseline ecological condition data for the Abuan River, and systematically plotted on AWQMMU Form 1: Simplified On-site Assessment Form for Water Bodies and Pollution Sources for accurate tracking and documentation.</p> <p>Simultaneously, the picked up of prepared treated sampling bottles in Environmental Laboratory of Environmental Management Bureau-Region 02 (EMB-R02) was carried out at Carig Sur, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan. Each sampling bottle was properly prepared in accordance with standard sampling protocols to ensure proper handling and traceability. A Chain of Custody (COC) form were filled out accurately to document the lend sampling containers and sample collection process, ensuring the integrity and credibility of the collected samples for subsequent laboratory analysis.</p> <p>On the second day, on-site parameters were measured at each sampling station, including basic parameters indicators such us Dissolved Oxygen (DO), Potential of Hydrogen (pH), and Temperature. Water samples were collected following strict protocols using rubber latex gloves to ensure hygiene and prevent contamination. Each sample was placed in the appropriate container which was based on Table 1060:I of Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater (SMEWW), 23RD edition. After collection, the water samples were promptly submitted to Environmental Laboratory of EMB-RO2 located at Carig Sur, Tuguegarao City, Cagayan. A final recorded temperature of 5°C was measured, which was accepted as it was equal to or below the required 6°C for proper preservation and adherence to laboratory testing standards.</p> <p>Furthermore, the laboratory analysis result will be released no earlier than one (1) month after the submission of the samples</p>
G. Other Related Activities		
1. Production of Green Charcoal	Production of charcoal briquettes out of paper waste to minimize the impact of paper waste	Produced a total of <b>16.5 kgs.</b> charcoal briquettes for this month.
2. Maintenance of Organic Vegetable/Herbal Garden and Ecological Center	Maintenance of OrganicVegetable Garden, Materials Recovery Facility,Provincial Ecology Center and ENR Office premises.	Conducted brushing, cleaning, planting of vegetables, and maintenance of organic vegetable garden and ENRO sorroundings.
III. MINERAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT DIVISION		
A. Processing and Issuance of Permits	The ENR Office as the implementing arm of the Provincial Government of Isabela in ENR concerns, is tasked to approve applications for small-scale mining, sand and gravel, quarry, guano, gemstone gathering and gratuitous permits and for industrial sand and gravel permits not exceeding five (5) hectares, under RA 7942 otherwise known as the Philippine Mining Act of 1995.	For the month of April, no application for Commercial Sand and Gravel (CSAG) Permit was received by the office.

<b>B. Site Verification and Inspection of Mining/Quarry Sites</b>	<p>The ENR Office is responsible in field verification and evaluation of quarry areas to determine compliance of permit holders and/or operators to environmental laws, rules and regulations. It is a part of the process prior to the endorsement of the application to PMRB for deliberation.</p>	<p>For this month, site verification and inspection was conducted for the remaining applications received during the month of March. Notable findings and observations were as follows, to wit:</p> <p><b>1. Norman L. Tagufa - Annafunan, Tumauni</b> - Area is rich in mineral deposits, particularly sand and gravel, suitable and recommended for extraction; no government infrastructure established within 1 kilometer radius; no established landmark for corner boundaries.</p> <p><b>2. Lapogan Multi-Purpose Cooperative - Lapogan, Tumauni</b> - Are is rich in mineral deposits, particularly sand and gravel, suitable and recommended for extraction; no government infrastructure established within 1 kilometer radius; actual extraction during the inspection; open shallow pits and piles of extracted sand and gravel as well as its wastes were seen; no established landmark for corner boundaries.</p> <p>Recommendations include establishment of landmark for corner boundaries, prioritize extraction at the main riverbed, and covering of shallow pits if no further extraction is intended.</p> <p>These were immediately conveyed to the applicants for their information and immediate compliance.</p>
<b>C. Accreditation of Haulers</b>	<p>All haulers, traders, dealers and retailers of mineral/mineral products/by-products are required to be accredited by the Provincial Government through a Memorandum of Agreement with the Mines &amp; Geo-sciences Bureau Region 02</p>	<p>For this month, this office received and processed applications of, and issued Accreditation Permit, to Sixteen (16) haulers/ dealers/traders and retailers trading mineral products and by-products. Correspondingly, Fifty Eight (58) accreditation stickers were issued for the conveyances and equipment registered.</p> <p>A total of 51,920.00 accreditation fees were remitted to PTO representing the permit application fees amounting to 40,320.00 and 11,600.00 for the stickers.</p>

D. Field Monitoring of Quarry Areas		
1. Regular field inspection and monitoring	<p>This activity is in line with the implementation of Provincial Ordinance No. 5, series of 2014, to effectively regulate the utilization and monitor extraction activities, ensuring all necessary environmental measures are implemented in the quarry areas. Also, monitoring reports on extraction of sand and gravel and other quarry resources shall serve as basis for the collection of taxes and other related fees by the Provincial Treasurer's Office.</p>	<p>Simultaneous with the compliance checking of Accreditation Permit conducted by the ISEP-TF Operative members, personnel of this Office also have its regular field inspection and monitoring. Activities include inspection of random vehicles transporting sand and gravel materials, supervising assigned personnel in the quarry areas, monitoring implementation of extraction policies such as "No Prepayment, No Extraction", extraction in the main river bed, and no screening of materials in the extraction site policy.</p> <p>For this month, said activities were specifically conducted at the Municipalities of Cabagan, Delfin Albano, Jones, San Agustin, San Pablo, Sta. Maria, and Tumauni, Isabela.</p> <p>Most of the flagged-down vehicles transporting sand and gravel materials have already secured their Accreditation Permits. Meanwhile, vehicles with no accreditation were temporarily stopped and not allowed to enter the quarry areas. All of them immediately secured said requirement. On the other hand, haulers/operators who have exhausted their pre-payments were advised to pay another pre-payment to avoid temporary stoppage of their operation.</p>
2. Monitoring of extraction activities		<p>For the month of April, forty-five (45) quarry areas have been monitored with extraction activities in the province with a total of 52,994.00 cu.m. of sand and gravel and other quarry resources extracted. This represents 49,443.00 Mixed, and 3,551.00 Boulders; and with gross value amounting to Php 2,323,245.00 fees and taxes.</p> <p>Some of the monitored haulers are still utilizing their pre-payments from 2024.</p> <p>Reports on extractions were accompanied by daily field monitoring reports and delivery receipts.</p> <p>Also, based on record, a total of Php 996,947.25 gross value of fees and taxes was remitted to PTO this month as prepayment to 28,403.43 cu.m. of Boulders, Mixed gravel, G1S1, and Ordinary Earth materials.</p> <p>Post-payment was also remitted for the monitored aggregates with volume totalling to 5,000.00 cu.m. corresponding to Php 200,000.00 taxes and fees.</p>

IV. OTHER PROGRAM/PROJECT ACTIVITY

1. Meetings, Seminars, Trainings and Workshops Attended

April 22, 2025- Coastal Law Enforcement Training at Piazza Zicarelli, Upi, Gannu, Isabela

April 25, 2025- Organizational Strengthening of the Isabela Bamboo Industry Development Council at DA-San Felipe, City of Ilagan, Isabela

April 27-May 5, 2025- Attended Dinapigue Mining Corporation Mines Rehabilitation Fund Committee Meeting and Benchmarking at Surigao City.

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